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06 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
07 WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

08 GINA HOWDEN,) CASE NO. C06-0252-JLR-MAT
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Petitioner,)
10)
v.) ORDER
11)
DONNA CAYER and)
12 BELINDA STEWART,)
Respondents.)
13 _____)

14 Respondents filed their answer to petitioner's petition on July 26, 2006. (Dkt. 16)
15 Pursuant to local Civil Rule 7(d)(3), respondents' answer is to be treated as a dispositive motion
16 and noted for the fourth Friday after filing, or in this instance August 18, 2006. Petitioner filed
17 a letter on August 17, 2006 (Dkt. 17), indicating that she awaited word from the court regarding
18 the deadline for when she should file an opposition response.

19 Petitioner is advised that the deadline for filing a response has already been provided to
20 her. In paragraph 3 of the court's Order for Service and Answer, § 2254 Petition (Dkt. 8) issued
21 on May 8, 2006, petitioner was advised that any response would be due no later than the Monday
22 before the noting date, or in this instance, August 14, 2006.

01 Since it appears from petitioner's letter that this instruction was overlooked, the court
02 construes petitioner's letter as a motion to continue the noting date, and will renote respondents'
03 Answer for Friday, October 20, 2006. Petitioner's response is due no later than Monday,
04 October 16, 2006, and respondents' reply is due on the noting date itself. If petitioner has any
05 questions pertaining to the deadline for her response, she should review the local Civil Rule
06 7(d)(3) and the General Order issued by the court on May 8, 2006.

07 Absent extraordinary circumstances, no further extensions will be granted.

08 DATED this 21st day of September, 2006.

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10 Mary Alice Theiler
11 United States Magistrate Judge
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